

**STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL BOARD**

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REGULATION UPDATE

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**TO: ALL REGISTERED COMPANIES, BRANCH OFFICES AND
LICENSED OPERATORS**

The Structural Pest Control Board (Board) has amended sections 1922 and 1948 of title 16 of the California Code of Regulations, which relate to the fines that may be assessed by County Agricultural Commissioners and the fees paid by certain Board licensees.

Specifically, section 1922 has been amended to increase the fine amounts that County Agricultural Commissioners may assess pest control companies and licensees. Section 1948 has been amended to establish an Applicator license and renewal fee of \$10 and to reduce the Operator license and renewal fee to \$120.

Please be advised that the reduction of the Operator's license and renewal fee is effective immediately, as is the new fine authority for County Agricultural Commissioners. The Applicator's license and renewal fee will be effective January 1, 2007.

Please find attached a copy of the revised regulations. The strikethrough text indicates the old language and the underlined text indicates the new language. Remember, the new fine authority and the reduced Operator fees are in effect now but the new Applicator fees do not take effect until January 1, 2007.

If you have any questions, please call 916-561-8700.

Attachment

**STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL BOARD
REVISED REGULATIONS**

§1922. Civil Penalty Actions by Commissioners.

(a) When taking civil penalty action pursuant to section 8617 of the Business and Professions Code, county agricultural commissioners shall use the provisions of this section to determine the violation class and the fine amount.

(1) For purposes of this section, violation classes shall be designated as “serious,” “moderate,” and “minor.”

(A) “Serious”: Violations that are repeat violations of those in subparagraph (B) or violations which created an actual health or environmental hazard. The fine range for serious violations is ~~\$401-\$1,000~~ \$700-\$5,000.

(B) “Moderate”: Violations that are repeat violations of those in subparagraph (C) or violations which pose a reasonable possibility of creating a health or environmental effect. The fine range for moderate violations is ~~\$151-\$400~~ \$250-\$1,000.

(C) “Minor”: Violations that did not create an actual health or environmental effect or did not pose a reasonable possibility of creating a health or environmental effect. The fine range for minor violations is ~~\$50-\$150~~ \$400.

§1948. Fees.

(A) Pursuant to the provisions of Section 8674 of the Code, the following fees are established:

- (1) Duplicate license. . . \$ 2
- (2) Change of licensee name. . . \$ 2
- (3) Operator's examination. . . \$ 25
- (4) Operator's license. . . ~~\$150~~ \$120
- (5) Renewal operator's license. . . ~~\$150~~ \$120
- (6) Company office registration. . . \$120
- (7) Branch office registration. . . \$ 60
- (8) Field representative's examination. . . \$ 10
- (9) Field representative's license. . . \$ 30
- (10) Renewal field representative's license. . . \$ 30
- (11) Change of registered company's name. . . \$ 25
- (12) Change of principal office address. . . \$ 25

- (13) Change of branch office address. . . \$ 25
- (14) Change of qualifying manager. . . \$ 25
- (15) Change of registered company's officers. . . \$ 25
- (16) Change of bond or insurance. . . \$ 25
- (17) Continuing education provider. . . \$ 50
- (18) Continuing education course approval. . . \$ 25
- (19) Pesticides use report filing. . . \$ 6
- (20) Applicator's license . . . \$ 10
- (21) Renewal applicator's license . . . \$ 10

(b) Pursuant to section 8564.5 of the code, the fee for examination for licensure as an applicator is \$15.00 for each branch in which an examination is taken.

(c) Pursuant to section 8593 of the code, the fee for the continuing education examination for operators is \$25.00, for each branch in which an examination is taken.

(d) Pursuant to section 8593 of the code, the fee for the continuing education examination for field representatives is \$10.00, for each branch in which an examination is taken.